

R. E. Squire's
COLUMN

"I'm Training for Results, Not Giving Exhibitions." Declared Jess Willard in His Explanation of His Refusal to Box Al Reich Last Saturday.

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JESS WILLARD'S refusal to box with Al Reich Saturday puzzled all of the champion's followers. It looked as if there might be a Willard side to the story, and so, Sunday being our day off, we called Jess up on the phone. I ran like this:

"We: 'Hello, hello, is Jess Willard there?'"

Operator: "Just hold the wire a moment, please."

(Five minutes wait.)

Operator: "Who did you want to see?"

We: "Willard."

Operator: "Just hold the wire a moment, please."

(Six minutes wait. Signals of impatience from our end.)

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REICH GETS IN LIMELIGHT AGAIN

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MORAN—BY HIMSELF.

The following is a series of statements made to an Evening World reporter by Frank Moran after his workout at Hawkins' gymnasium in Westchester yesterday. The challenger is supremely confident; in fact he appeared too cocksure, in the writer's opinion:

Willard has only size. He is abnormal in that respect. When a fighter is abnormal in one thing, something else is sacrificed. Size and speed don't go together.

I have enough of the size thing. I have speed, and I believe I have the wallop.

I'm closer to the ground and my study of equilibrium makes me think if I hit Willard on the body or the chin I will knock him down. I know I will knock him sideways at least if I even hit him on the shoulder, and then watch me take advantage of his lack of equilibrium at the time.

My chances are much better in a ten-round bout than they would be in a twenty. I can conserve my strength better and judge my actions.

I feel absolutely sure of winning, if not by a knockout, then by the newspaper decisions.

I will be twenty-nine years old this week, March 18, to be exact. I missed being born on St. Patrick's Day by an hour.

My condition today is perfect. From now on I will make no engagements to go anywhere. I want to be fancy free for the next two weeks to go where and do what I like.

My views of life have changed considerably in the last two years. I am far away from anything of a theatrical and sporting existence. Disipation never was for me, and drinking? Well, I like to see the other fellows do that.

Fistic News and Gossip

By John Pollock

Two bouts between fighters who are well known to the followers of the fistic as a result of their great showing in contests in the squared circle, will be fought at out-of-town clubs to-night. Benny Leonard, the sensational local lightweight, will meet Sam Hobbins, the hard-hitting Philadelphia lightweight, in a six-round bout at the Olympia A. A. of Philadelphia. Benny has already knocked out two good Quakerites at the same club, having stopped Joe Walsh and Jimmy Murphy in the last two months. In the other scrap Jack Britton will take on Willie "Knockout" Brown, the Buffalo middleweight, at the Queensberry A. C. of Buffalo, N. Y.

Tom "Kid" Lewis, the English welterweight, will go to Kansas City, Mo., on Wednesday, where he will fight for ten days. After that he will fight Harry Wagon of Texas fifteen rounds at St. Louis, Mo., on April 16. Harry Tondal of St. Louis at the Forum C. C. A. C. of St. Louis on April 17, and Jack Britton (ten rounds) at St. Louis.

Two of the three American amateur boxers who are scheduled to take part in the American Amateur boxing championships were successful in winning their contests. Johnny Mahoney, of New York, defeated Philadelphian, and so, after a hard-fought battle, Mahoney won the 125-pound class, and John Karpinsky of Cleveland A. C. scored in the middleweight class. William Hengler, the American heavyweight champion, was defeated by James of New York.

Quintus Smith, who has not fought in several months and is in good condition again, has been scheduled to fight for ten days at the Broadway Sporting Club of Brooklyn to meet new man. "When I fought Dillon in Milwaukee, I was in poor shape, but I managed to break even with him. I am much stronger now and for that reason, I think I have a good chance of knocking him out."

John McAnis, who occupies the fourth place in the American amateur boxing championships, was defeated by James of New York. The match was a close one, but McAnis was out of luck in the end. The match was a close one, but McAnis was out of luck in the end.

Chris Christie, the Milwaukee middleweight, fought three times this month. Tonight he defeated George C. at Memphis, Tenn. March 10, and on March 11, he defeated Harry Wagon of Texas at St. Louis, Mo. On March 12, he will fight up with Jack Smith, the crack fighter, at St. Louis, Mo. Christie is a crack fighter and a crack fighter.

FREE CLUB RECIPES—Free booklet of famous club recipes for used drinks. Address Wilson, 311 Fifth Ave., N. Y. That's All!

Fleming Makes Classy Showing At Fairmont

Frankie Fleming, the Canadian featherweight champion, showed on Saturday night at the Fairmont A. C. of the Bronx that he is one of the cleverest and fastest little men in the boxing business by the easy manner in which he outpointed Joe Mooney, the same west side fighter, in the star bout of ten rounds. This was Fleming's first appearance in a bout here in over a year.

For the first three rounds Fleming fought slowly and did considerable clinching, but after that he landed when and where he pleased, having Mooney bleeding freely from the nose and mouth in the last three rounds. He also shook him up several times with short, snappy right hand swings on the jaw.

In the other ten rounds, Charley Leonard, brother of Benny Leonard, scored another victory by beating Jimmy Powers so badly that referee Billy Joe stopped the contest in the sixth round. Powers had been fouled three times.

The results of the star bouts at the other shows held on Saturday night follow:

At Broadway Sporting Club "Silent" Martin defeated Young Hickey. The latter was substituted for Frank Loughery, who was ill.

At Germania A. C. Billy De Foe of St. Paul had an easy time in outpointing Joe Stacey.

At Queensboro A. C. Jimmy Coffey, the Milwaukee light heavyweight, defeated Jimmy Flynn of Long Island.

At Staten Island A. C. Willie Curry defeated Barney Williams.

Sport Briefs

With Miss Mollie Bjurstedt, title holder, heading the entry, play for women's national indoor tennis championship will start today in the Seventh Regiment Armory. The officials decided on an innovation this year and refused to make public the draw. It was explained that the draw was made by a superior player, particularly a champion of the National Cycling Association.

Signs of peace in the bicycle war between the riders and the managers have made their appearance. Reggie McNamara and Roy Jones, the two best riders in this country, have made application to be reinstated to the National Cycling Association. If these riders are reinstated, it is more than likely many of the other outlaws will take the same course. Joe Foglio, the Brooklyn cyclist, who did not compete in the outlaw race, already has come to terms with the National Association and will ride at the Volodine track this season.

Sam Silverstein failed to repeat his victory of last Sunday in the weekly race of the Bronx. He was beaten by Charles De Stefano of the Queens Athletic Association, who set such a stiff pace that he slipped 45 seconds from the old record. Silverstein, who was in the lead, finished second, and equalling the former time.

Edward Lehman proved flier of foot than his elder brother Irving in the weekly handicap race in the Bronx. Both started from the 45 mark, and Irving won the race by a wide margin. However, he was passed by Edward at the fourth mark. The race was a close one, but Edward was the victor.

The matches for the inter-club indoor tennis championship will start today in the Seventh Regiment Armory. The officials decided on an innovation this year and refused to make public the draw. It was explained that the draw was made by a superior player, particularly a champion of the National Cycling Association.

Mathewson Is Left Out Of McGraw's Calculations On Strong Pitching Staff

Giants' Manager Is Organizing Twirlers on a Basis Independent of "Old Master" This Year.

Veteran Is Taking Things Easy at Marlin and Works With Great Caution in Practice Games.

Physical Trouble of Erstwhile Star So Peculiar That Specialists Don't Know Its Cause.

From Present Outlook Only Dodgers Should Be Stronger in Boxmen Than Giants This Season.

Eight Twirlers Look Formidable Now, With Tesreau and Southpaw Benton the Probable Stars.

By Bozeman Bulger.

MARLIN, Tex., March 13.

THE pitching problem of the Giants is not nearly so serious as that of the outfield. In fact, the indications now point to as strong a staff in New York as in any city around the circuit with the possible exception of the Dodgers. In organizing his hurling corps McGraw has eliminated uncertainty to a large degree by starting on a basis independent of Mathewson. If the great pitcher should come through it will be all the stronger. If he should falter again the machine can work right along without him.

The progress of the Old Master, just the same, is being watched with keenest interest by every player on the club from the rawest recruit to the most sophisticated veteran. A return to form by Matty would shove the Giants within easy range of the pennant.

So far this veteran of fifteen campaigns is taking things easy and working up to a stage of efficiency with great caution. It will be well in April before he feels that he can put up the "old soupbone," as he calls it, to a real test. In the practice games he has gone in the box merely for exercise and has made no attempt to put anything on the ball.

SPECIALISTS DON'T KNOW CAUSE OF MATTHEWSON'S TROUBLE.

Matty's physical trouble is a most peculiar one. He has been examined by eight different specialists, and all of them confess that they do not know the cause of his ailment. For that reason they have been unable to prescribe any treatment that will eradicate it. There have been so many warped explanations as to the trouble that a statement, based on the statement of a specialist and of Matty himself, might be interesting.

The trouble is not in his pitching arm. Matty assures you that he has not suffered from a sore arm in several years. The seat of the peculiar ailment is on top of the left shoulder, just half way between the base of the neck and the point of the shoulder. There is a small lump just at the outer edge of the collar bone. To touch this is very painful. In lifting his hands above his head to get a swing with the ball the twinge of pain is so sharp that a free movement of the arm is impossible. He consequently cannot control the ball as in the old days, and without control Matty loses the master of them all.

There is no twisted or overlapping muscle to cause this trouble, and the X-ray pictures, a number of which have been taken, show nothing of an abnormal nature.

"The most plausible diagnosis that I have had," says Matty, "is that of a specialist in New York who says the trouble is due to a lack of lubrication in the bones and muscles. The little muscle does its work with an effort, and the dragging causes the trouble. Just how they can restore the missing lubrication is a problem that no one has been able to solve."

"Have you felt it since coming down here?" I asked him. "Yes," he admitted, rather dolefully. "But I do not believe it is so

severe as during last season. I find my right arm is in nice shape, and so far the ailment in the left shoulder has not interfered with my work; but I cannot speak for the future. IF THE TROUBLE CONTINUES I AM DONE, THAT'S ALL."

The famous old pitcher takes his right philosophy. He says that few pitchers last fifteen years, and that he will have no kick coming if another good season is denied him.

EIGHT, ASIDE FROM MATTY, FORM PITCHING STAFF.

The regular pitching staff of the Giants, aside from Matty, will be made up of Tesreau, Benton, Peritt, Anderson, Schauer, Schupp, Ritter and Palmero.

The backbone of the pitching corps will be Tesreau and Benton. The big bear hunter is just in at the height of his career and should have his very best year. Benton is just as good. AMONG BALL PLAYERS BENTON IS CONSIDERED THE BEST LEFT HANDED IN THE NATIONAL LEAGUE. His wonderful work with the Giants toward the end of last season was overlooked in the slump of the team that sent it to the bottom. It will be remembered also that Benton came to the club just after its change for the pennant first began to fade. He has a wonderful curve ball and knows of experience the weakness of every good batter in the league.

Peritt, the acquisition of 1914 while with St. Louis, had a bad year with the Giants-McGraw's keenest disappointment. At no time during the season did he have control, and that is the quality that makes him famous. The players think that Peritt's bad showing was due to the fact that he got a poor start. He is of a temperamental nature and is very prone to get discouraged. He is a very good pitcher, but he is not a very good manager. He is a very good pitcher, but he is not a very good manager.

LEARY TO SUCCEED HAUGHTON AS COACH OF HARVARD ELEVEN.

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., March 13.

The announcement that Leo H. Leary, '05, is to be the active field coach of the Harvard football eleven is expected to be made to-night, following a meeting of the Harvard Athletic Committee.

An unofficial statement to this effect was made last night by a man close to the Harvard Athletic Union. It is understood that Leary, who has coached the Harvard ends for several years, will be in charge of the team until Percy D. Haughton relinquishes his duties as President of the Boston National League team, and then will share the position with the latter, who will not largely as advisory coach.

Charles E. Brinkley, Captain of the 1914 team, is expected to act as backfield and drop-kicking coach. Brinkley was free to sign with Harvard, as the Johns Hopkins management assured that it would not insist on his returning to Baltimore, provided Harvard football needed his services.

blood. He has reddish hair, blue eyes and a fair complexion. In fact, his skin is so fair that his face is covered with freckles.

In Dulles the other day he pitched three innings of an exhibition game and worked as freely as if he had been at it all year. For a left-hander he has unusual control. McGraw believes he has a real find in this Cuban. Schauer and Schupp are sure that McGraw's patience is to be rewarded.

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DOON THINKS MCGRAW'S STAFF VERY STRONG.

Ritter pitched more last season than either Schupp or Schauer and was used to good advantage as a relief pitcher. He is a big fellow with enormous strength, broad of shoulder and measuring 6 feet 2 inches in height.

Charles Doon, the veteran catcher, who is assisting McGraw in drilling the pitching staff, says that the Philadelphia Club, as long as he managed it, never had anything like as strong a twirling squad as the Giants have now. He says that he is sure if McGraw's patience is to be rewarded, Schauer has tremendous speed and a fair curve. Schupp, a left-hander, also has great speed, but his trouble in the past has been a lack of control.

There is another young fellow—Wacker—who looks good physically, but he is somewhat lacking in experience. He comes from Dartmouth and brought all of his college ways with him. He amazed the veterans the first day by working out in a thin undershirt—an unpardonable offense. They expected him to die of cold within twenty-four hours, but it didn't freeze him. At the dinner and breakfast hour he even outdid "Boatswain" John Habbington, the all-around champion up to the present writing.

PHILADELPHIA, March 13.—Joe Accardo of California won a stirring six-round fight from Johnny O'Leary, the Canadian champion. Accardo finished his six rounds with a lead over O'Leary in his shape and the crowd of 10,000 in the arena easily outpointed Eddie Moran of England.

This year, though, much is expected of Peritt, and he is working like a Trojan to get in good shape for a quick start. He is intensely proud, and it is his ambition to prove that McGraw did not make a bad investment in paying a top price to save him from the Federal League when "Poli" was about to jump.

PALMERO IS SENSATION OF NEW PITCHERS.

Of the company of new men brought to the Giants by "Old Master" McGraw, the Cuban left-hander, to carry the sensation. He has been pitched wonderfully well in Havana during the winter, and his work with the Toronto Club during the season has been very good. He is a very good pitcher, but he is not a very good manager.

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PUTTING 'EM OVER With "Bugs" Baer

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RABBIT RUDOLPH SAYS

"ANY Kid Can Be President, but the Heavyweight Championship Is More Exclusive."

Half-mile Champion Homer Baker has an offer to run in Europe, but Homer is too modest to try to outrun a bullet.

The Abingdon wrestling match should be popular in New York, as it is going to take place in Coney Island.

BOY, PAGE THE SPANISH ARMADA.

Critics claim that Moran has only one arm. He had Lord Nelson.

Jim Thorpe's improved playing warrants him at least an orchestra seat on the bench.

Pancho Villa is about to be eliminated from the tournament.

LEAGUES ARE SHALLOWER. What if the team does finish eighth? Be thankful that you've got your health.

And ponder o'er the ancient days When the home lads could finish twelfth.

Must have been awful to have been a losing team.

National Baseball Federation has divided amateurs into two classes. Those who are and those who ain't.

FACTS NOT WORTH KNOWING.

Taking the count doesn't necessarily mean getting bumped into a second status. Willard's manager will take the count as soon as he can get his soup tongs on the \$47,500. Boni de Castellane was the last count they took.

That shrinking violet, Benny Katoff, complains bitterly of the pitiless white light of publicity. He shuns it like a mouse shuns cheese.

A fighter is in shape when he gets a wallop in the stomach and his manager doesn't feel it.

England is sending over for American bantams. Apparently tired of the lightweights in their War Office.

Villa, dead or alive. Or both.

Critics are right. Joe Gedeon can't hit anything but a straight ball, in short, curve, flatter and drop.

Wonder what Philadelphia sent that \$30,000 to the conscience fund? We didn't think the royalties from Horace's exposé of baseball were that huge.

LEARN ONE THING EACH DAY.

A dictaphone is a luxury in a boiler factory.

For Sale—One rubber ultimatum. Guaranteed to stretch forever. Or no use to present owner. Apply WHITE HOUSE.

Rabbit Rudolph got his first optic load of Jess Willard on 1st street, at regular hours: rates of twelve and a half cents an eye. Rabbit thinks: that our standing army could be doubled by signing Jess, and as Willard is too big to starve into submission Moran is should be allowed to annex all the territory he can conquer.

We suggest that Jack Dillon's next opponent should come into the ring on an unarmed cart and leave to Jack's mercy.

Olaf Hendrickson has gone south to train for his time at battling the next world series.

Oh! To be a seed in the Garden on the 25th. Even in the onion row.

El Paso General Patton has gone south to train.

White Sox Off for Texas.